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Along with inflated food and energy prices, the cost of illness is going up too. Is arthritis worth $9 billion a year? No, it's not. But that's the incredible toll of the nation's leading crippling disease on our economy.

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These and other expenditures related to arthritis add up to the nine billion dollar annual total. And the cost of this chronic disease is rising at the staggering rate of one billion dollars a year.

It shouldn't take long to realize that arthritis is bad for the nation's economy. And no price tag can be put on the enormous human suffering, disability, lost potential, and family problems that often accompany the disease.

The Arthritis Foudnation needs your support to find the cause and cure for arthritis and continue helping the 17,400 victims here in Central Virginia. Because let's face it, none of us can afford arthritis.

MRS. MARTIN'S 4-H CLUB

The monthly 4-H meeting started at 12:30 at the beginning of the meeting we said the pledges. James Woody and Brenda Carter led them. Then the recreation leaders led us in a song and a game. Then the president asked if there was any new or old business. Then the president gave the meeting to the vice president, Roy Trent, and he told us what Mr. Sweet would do next. Then Mr. Sweet showed us some slides from 4-H Camp last year. Then Mr. Sweet gave us a form to go to 4-H camp and he gave us some 4-H projects. They were a fishing project and a garden project. After that the president adjourned the meeting.

Gloria Ferguson,
Club Reporter

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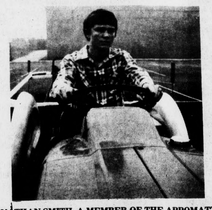

NATHAN SMITH, A MEMBER OF THE APPOMATTOX FFA CHAPTER, placed first in the annual Area FFA Tractor Operating Contest. He will represent Southside Virginia in the state contest at VPI&SU June 17. Nathan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses W. Smith, RFD 1, Spout Spring.

Football Coach To Speak At Meeting Of Booster Club

The regular meeting of the Appomattox County High School Booster Club will be held tonight, Thursday, at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria at the new high school.

Harry G. Lawson, President of the Club, has announced that Larry Wayne Carter, new head coach for the football team for 1975-76, will be the guest speaker at this meeting. He will bring some information on the program he hopes to implement next season.

All members are urged to attend and meet the new coach, Mr. Carter, who will be coming to ACHS from Rockbridge County.

'Watt' Abbitt Honored

Testimonial In Brick, Mortar

(Reprint from Farmville Herold)

By JOHN STECK

Left to his own inclination, Watkins M. Abbitt would be content to let his record and service in the U.S. Congress speak for itself without any material embellishment.

The decision to memorialize that record in brick and mortar wasn't his, but the retired Appomattox federal legislator is human. He's content . . . and a bit proud, too . . . that his record in Washington has recently taken on a new public dimension.

No longer will the federal building at Main and High streets in Farmville be a nameless, though quite useful, edifice. As of late last week with erection of a sign at its northeast corner it took on nominal nomenclature. It's now the 'Watkins M. Abbitt Federal Building.'

The rather imposing midtown structure with its great ascending row of entrance steps, it can be stated from the resume of its use, is now aptly named. It contains all of the U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies serving rural agricultural communities.

Service Center

As a one-stop USDA 'service center' the Abbitt Building is the working headquarters for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, the Soil Conservation Service and the Farmers Home Administration. In it also are the offices of the Internal Revenue Service, and a somewhat mysterious basement office and communications center of the federal General Services Administration.

If there was a Congressman more diligent in his attention to the needs of the agricultural element of his constituency than 'Watt' Abbitt his name escapes this writer. Before he left the House of Representatives in 1972, Congressman Abbitt was a ranking member of the House Agriculture committee and chairman of the Tobacco Subcommittee. He also served on the Livestock and Grains Subcommittee.

Back in his home Fourth Congressional District, every local farm organization knew their representative would make himself available as a meeting speaker or agricultural session moderator. His diligence in this matter never fluctuated, be there five or 500 persons present. They needed a link to Washington and 'Watt' Abbitt forged that chain over his 24 years in the federal House.

He grew up on a farm, suffered as a youngster with the hardships of a rising and dipping agricultural economy and he matured to put to work the characteristics engendered by association with the good earth, hard work and Baptist-oriented family discipline. He's been grateful for those things ever since.

Back 'Home'

Now 'Watt' is back home, practicing law and quite satisfied to be, as most of us are, just one among many private citizens. There's no flouting of the mantle of Washington status and prestige of former days. The day-to-day tasks in Southside Virginia and his beloved

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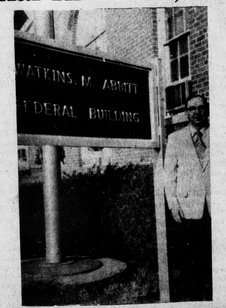

THE MAN AND THE SIGN. Farmville's midtown federal building is no longer nameless, as the new sign erected late last week points out. The man whose 24 years in the U.S. House of Representatives are responsible for the sign and the honor inspected it for the first time Wednesday morning.

Appomattox Zoning Plan Blocked By Adverse Opinion

The Appomattox County Board of Supervisors decided at their meeting on Friday to set no date for a public hearing on zoning "until the public becomes aware of the intent and wording of the ordinance."

Adverse public opinion apparently has blocked Appomattox County's proposed zoning ordinance.

Supervisor of the Stonewall District, Otha W. Martin, Jr. said he would not vote to zone the county now because everyone seems to be against it. He said his constituents feel that "if a man owns his land and pays taxes on it, he should be able to do whatever he wants with it."

Supervisor O. H. Tolley of Clover Hill District said that he thought the zoning ordinance was in the best interest of the county. "If everyone had it explained to them they'd be for it." Tolley said. However, he agreed that many county residents opposed the ordinance.

Various informational meetings have been held throughout the county by J. A. Smith but attendance at most of the meetings was very light.

Board Chairman John C. Cole said the zoning ordinance was a real good tool for protection for all citizens and added that zoning could make the county more attractive to the county more industry. He concluded, "It's not for us to impose an unwanted goal on unwilling people."

Letters concerning the zoning ordinance were read from Rev. Earnie Lucas, J. A. Smith, and David Nash. Nash asked that an area near the Appomattox Court House National Park be zoned B-1 instead of B-2.

Nash said in a letter that he had built a subdivision near the park and wanted it in an unrestricted (B-1) zone rather than B-2, a conditional use zone.

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Fun Day Planned

Everyone is welcome to Fun Day on May 24. The fun will begin at 10 a.m. and last until 5 p.m. and will be held across from Moses Motor Company.

There will be train rides, swing rides, ponies, food, drinks and games. Tickets are now being sold at 25c per chance for a clock radio to be given away in the afternoon.

The day is planned as a community affair offering fun for the entire family - no matter what the age. Everyone is welcome, so see you on May 24. The event is being sponsored by Robert E. Lee Christian Academy.

Ferguson Resigns As Secretary of County Electoral Board

R. Murrell Ferguson, Secretary of the Appomattox County Electoral Board for the past 17 years, has announced that he has resigned this position effective Thurs., May 15, 1975.

A letter of his resignation has reached Judge George F. Abbitt, Jr.

Ferguson has announced that he will seek the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County subject to the General Election in November.

photo by Robert Earl Pankey

Miss Deborah Lynn White

Miss Appomattox - 1975

Miss Deborah Lynn White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David White, was crowned "Miss Appomattox" Saturday night when the Woman's Club of Appomattox sponsored the Miss Appomattox contest.

Lynn is a senior at Appomattox County High School and plans to enter Madison College this fall.

Sponsored by Western Auto Store, Lynn received a $100.00 Scholarship from the Appomattox Woman's Club, a trophy from the Farmers National Bank, a $50.00 Scholarship from Fidelity National Bank, a Tiara from Gaines Jewelers, and a bouquet from Elliott Florist.

She will be representing Appomattox at the Tobacco Bowl in October.

Bloodmobile Visit Set For May 27

The first visit of the new fiscal year of the American Red Cross Bloodmobile to Appomattox County has been set for Tues., May 27.

This visit is being sponsored by Thomasville Furniture Industries and the hours will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and will be held as usual at Liberty Baptist Church. The hours for this visit have been changed to accommodate Thomasville and if as successful as we hope it will be, Thomasville plans to sponsor another visit during the coming year.

Memorial United Methodist Church women will be in charge of the canteen for this visit.

The quota for the first visit is set at 102 units of blood and you are reminded that 17 year olds may donate blood with parental consent.

Rev. Earnie Lucas, Chairman of the Blood Program, urges everyone to make every effort to come out on May 27 and donate a unit of blood which is so badly needed to supply the blood bank.

Town Council Will Offer Office Space To C Of C

Members of the Town Council of Appomattox, meeting on Monday night, at the request of the Appomattox County Chamber of Commerce agreed to make available the old town office located on Church Street to the Chamber for office space provided the Information & Referral Center no longer has use for the building.

If used by the Chamber of Commerce, they will pay all utilities but there will be no charge for use of the office facility.

Council voted to open up the first 200 feet of Virginia Avenue extended (street adjacent to the Ed Hopkinson property and the Virginia Department of Highways property), barricade at the end of the 200 feet and seed the remainder of the street until such time that Thomasville Furniture Industries requests that it be opened to join their property at the end of the street.

In other business, council approved the VEPCO contract as negotiated by the Virginia Municipal League subject to clarification regarding street lights.

The Appomattox Hotel property is now available for sale, according to Councilman T. E. Conner, at a price of $24,000. The town has shown interest in purchasing this property but no action was taken at this meeting. The town has considered purchasing this property, demolishing the building and erecting a parking area.

Bill Slagle, Town Manager, reported that Bill Jamerson proposes to construct an auto parts store at Triangle Plaza Shopping Center. Council approved the proposal and will furnish water and sewer at the rate they are now paying.

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"Southern Accreditation" To Be Subject of P. T. A.

What is accreditation? How will the Appomattox Primary School receive accreditation? When do we begin? The Primary PTA is focusing its attention on accreditation and the involvement of PTA members. It's of utmost importance for all parents to understand the standards of Southern Accreditation of Elementary Schools. Come to the PTA meeting Thursday night at 8:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. Each student needs your active support and understanding so that community, students, and faculty can achieve the highest honor . . . that of Southern Accreditation . . . for the Appomattox Primary School.

Installation of officers, presentation of a PTA Life Membership Award, and a reception in honor of the newly elected officers are items on the agenda for May 15, at 8:00 p.m.

R. Murrell Ferguson Announces As Candidate For Clerk Of Court

Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County and that he feels that he is qualified to serve the county in this position and if elected the office will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday with someone there during lunch hour to assist you.

Married to the former Easley Shuford, they are the parents of one son, Richard.

R. Murrell Ferguson has this week announced as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County.

A graduate of Appomattox High School, he has been employed by J. E. Jamerson & Sons for the past 23 years. He is a member of Liberty Baptist Church where he is a Deacon and Sunday School Director.

Ferguson is a past president of the Appomattox Lions Club and has served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Club for 22 years; he is a veteran of World War II and a member of American Legion Post 104; he has served as Secretary of Appomattox County Electoral Board for 17 years; is a past president of Appomattox Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association and a member of the Board of Directors of the Appomattox County Unit, American Cancer Society.

In making his announcement, Mr. Ferguson said that after much consideration he has decided to seek the office of

Completes 25 Years With U.S. Department Of Agriculture

John H. Goin, Soil Conservation Service Technician, right above, received a service certificate and emblem for completing 25 years of service with the United States Department of Agriculture. Robert McClenny, Jr., District Conservationist, SCS, left above, made the presentation on behalf of Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz and State Conservationist David Grimwood.

"The many excellent conservation practices on the farms throughout Appomattox County are a good indication of how Goin spent these 25 years," McClenny said.

Jaycee Bluegrass Festival Taking Shape

The first annual Appomattox County Jaycee Bluegrass Festival, scheduled to be held May 30 and 31, is one of the most involved projects ever undertaken by the local Jaycee chapter. Many manhours have been expended thus far and many more will be prior to the festival itself. Things are beginning to shape up however, and the Jaycees claim they will be ready when the big weekend arrives. The festival will feature all professional Bluegrass bands which include: The Stoney Ridge Boys, Charles Jackson and the New Spring Grass, George Winn and the Bluegrass Partners, Larry Stevenson and the Newgrass, J. C. Hale and the Blue Fescue, Bluegrass Express, and Little George and the Hill City Cutups.

The first show will begin at 7:00 p.m. Fri., May 30, and continue until 12 p.m. The second show is scheduled to be held Sat., May 31, from 2:00 p.m. until 12:00 p.m. Tickets for patrons, 12 years of age and older, will be $3.00 for Friday's

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MEMBER GUEST GOLF TOURNAMENT SET JUNE 21 & 22

The Falling River Country Club will hold its annual member - guest tournament June 21 and 22, 1975.

Members desiring to play in this event may register just outside the pro-shop beginning at noon Thursday, May 15. Registration will end June 18 or sooner should the sixty couple sign-up limit be completed at an earlier date.

Entry fee will be a package deal of $25.00 per couple with an additional charge for golf carts. This gala event will be open to all members 18 years old and over and will include a dance on Saturday night and hot roast beef on a bun, and soft drinks on Sunday at the finish of the tournament.

There will be five flights which means that twenty-five percent go home with a distinguished trophy. Plan now to attend for a week-end of good golf, getting together, club hospitality and beautiful weather.